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## EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS. OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

A Boston firm offered a prize of \$250 for the best answer to the question: "What constitutes success?" Mrs. A. J. Stanley of Lincoln, Neb., won the prize with the following good answer:  
**An Idea that Won the Prize.**  
"He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poem, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never looked back with appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a benediction."

LAST week's issue of THE COMMONWEALTH asked some of our scientific contemporaries to explain why a dog howls. Editor Whichard of the Greenville Reflector, after rubbing his knowledge box for some time, has produced the following, which is good enough as far as it goes: "If a dog howls at the whistle of a steam engine it is because it grates on his nerves. In that respect the dog is like folks, for there is nothing more grating on the nerves of man or dog or anything else that has nerves, than a steam whistle. If it is a dinner horn that sounds then the dog howls for joy, as he is hungry and realizes that feed time has come around once more. But the flute business, that stumps us and we pass it on to some of the other brethren."

HERE and there one sees a suggestion about candidates for the offices to be filled this year. One general feeling seems to be entertained, and that is that only the best men should be selected for whom the people may cast their votes. And this is right. And when "best" is used as a qualifying term it ought to mean more than the business qualification. There's many a good business man who is by no means the best all round man in his community. The truth is, a great civilized nation like this ought to have all its interests, from President down to the smallest office, managed by men who are true and honest and clean and moral. Every office holder ought to be such a man that his character will answer the requirement so beautifully expressed by Elizabeth Barrett Browning in her "Crowned and Wedded," when she speaks of  
"The statesman whose clean palm will kiss no bribe  
"Whatever it be."

THE Gastonia Gazette says: "There are lots and lots of things in the country editor's life which contribute to his pleasure, but the work of that life, the things he is called upon to do, and the difficulties he must solve call for a vast amount of tact, patience, good-humor, and perseverance—an amount that is not possessed by every man. And some times one or the other of these accounts is apt to be overdrawn by the best of editors. So whenever you can, help your editor with kindness. He will appreciate it. The ways in which you can help him are well set forth in the following which is just now going the rounds of the papers: To save an editor from starvation take his newspaper and pay him for it promptly. To save him from bankruptcy advertise in his paper liberally. To save him from despair send him every item of news of which you can get hold. To save him from profanity write your correspondence plainly on one side of the sheet and send it in as early as possible. To save him from mistakes bury him. Dead people are the ones that never make mistakes. Newspaper readers would do well to remember that there are no perfect people, editors or readers."

STILL is the heading of a very able article which appeared in Collier's Weekly of January 20th. Its author is Congressman W. P. Brownlow, of Tennessee, who discusses the question of good roads with clearness and ability. THE COMMONWEALTH perhaps more than a year ago printed a number of articles about government aid to public roads, in which it was claimed that the Government can as well aid the public highways on land as on water. Congressman Brownlow says that the entire constitutionality of the Government aid to public roads is now almost universally admitted, and he argues well the justice of such a movement. He says that it is the greatest and most important question before the people and before the Government. The farmers of the country pay more than half the taxes and receive no direct consideration at the hands of the Government. While the farmer might be the first to be directly benefited by the making of good roads by the Government, he would by no means be the only one benefited. Mr. Brownlow points out the industrial, educational and moral advantages to be derived from good roads. When the farmer, who is the mainstay of the world, prospers all others will prosper accordingly. Good roads make it possible for the farmer to realize a large per cent. more from the products of his farm. The rural schools are the seats of learning whence come the best and truest men for every phase and station and calling in life. Good roads will do more towards making splendid possibilities in the country districts than any other one interest. Take away the wholesome and moral influence of the country churches, and you strike a blow at moral progress and development. Good roads are one of the greatest conveniences for the rural population to get to church on the Sabbath. Congressman Brownlow says that the present Congress can do much for the relief of the people throughout the country if only the members of that body will take a serious view of the matter and go to work. He closes his very able paper by asking the question, "Will the people let their Senators and Representatives sleep upon a bill which provides for their paramount needs?" He clinches the whole matter in the last sentence by declaring that "without the demand from the people Congress will not act."

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## DEALING IN NAMES.

VENDING THEM IS A BUSINESS  
IN WALL STREET.

Lists of Investors Become Valuable Assets and Are Carefully Guarded by Their Owners.

The holder of two shares of the stock of a well-known corporation succeeded a few days ago in obtaining a writ of mandamus giving him the right to inspect the company's books for the purpose of taking a list of the stockholders. All large corporations make it a point to oppose an application for this privilege, owing to the experience that in a majority of instances it is likely to be abused. The business of merchandizing in names plays an important part in the machinery of Wall street. There is always a ready market for a list of good names. The value of a list is determined not only by its length, but by various qualities adapting it to the uses for which it is offered. An exclusive list is much more valuable, states the New York Times, than one which is in general circulation. A list that would be valuable to a speculative house might be of little or no value to a house desiring to enlarge its audience among investors. A strong list of investors' names is a more valuable asset than any outsider could believe. There are only a few such lists on the market, and they could not be bought, or even seen, except by prospective purchasers of the highest integrity and reputation. They are kept in safety deposit vaults, and are jealously guarded. A new banking house on beginning business would have to procure a list to start with. In the course of a few years' business it would develop a list of its own, and have then an exclusive asset.

The market for investors' names is somewhat limited. The merchandizing is chiefly in speculative names, and for such lists there is always an active market. Lists of doubtful value are being constantly hawked through Wall street, and unless the buyer is wide awake he is likely to buy a lot of "stale names" which have been worked over and over and are unproductive. A fresh and unworked list of speculative names is something that does not need to be hawked. The vendor does not have to go far with his goods if he offers the list in the right way.

It does not necessarily detract from the value of a list of speculative names that the persons on it have been unfortunate in their speculations. After the collapse of one of the most notorious swindlers that was ever perpetrated in Wall street a shrewd dealer in names placed a few advertisements calling upon those who had been swindled to send him their names and addresses. The impression he conveyed was that steps would be taken to recover some of the money that had been lost. All that the advertiser wanted was the names. He got thousands of replies, from which he made up a list of names which he sold at once in Wall street for \$5,000. Then he went to Chicago and sold the same list there for a like sum. He sold it once or twice more and netted about \$15,000 on the venture. The buyers of this list were under no illusions concerning its origin. The value of the list to them lay in the fact that it put them in touch with thousands of the most credulous persons in the country. Promoters of mining stock schemes and bucket shop operators are large buyers of new names. The failure of a big bucket shop invariably leaves in the hands of some employe a list of names on which he is able to realize a few thousand dollars very quickly. There have been some lists in circulation among promoters so complete as to show opposite each name the various schemes in which the prospective cupes had already lost money, the particular kind of speculation that had always appealed to him, the probable extent to which he could be interested in a new venture, otherwise his resources and other details bearing upon his credit.

Somebody owning one or two shares of stock is constantly trying to gain access to the transfer books of large corporations for the purpose of getting names. If the privilege were indiscriminately granted, the compiling of such lists would become a regular business with vendors of names. Large corporations feel that they owe it to their stockholders to protect them from the endless solicitation that would follow the placing of their names in the hands of Wall street promoters and swindlers. A list of the United States Steel corporation's stockholders would be a pretty prize for a dealer in names, and if the holder of two shares of United States Steel common could establish a legal right to copy the list from the transfer books he would gladly enough pay \$75 for the necessary stock and clerical fees for the transcription. In opposing those who would in this way possess themselves of valuable lists of names the corporations expose themselves to the suspicion that they are trying to hide something, whereas, in most cases, it is only because they distrust the motive behind the application that they seek to withhold the privilege.

Reason Enough.  
"I've just been reading that learned Egyptologist's account of the funeral of Rameses," said Jokely. "It's a wonder the whole place wasn't pinched."  
"Why?" asked Cokeley.  
"Well, it was a Pharaoh layout."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Japanese in Seattle.  
The Japanese form so considerable a part of the population of Seattle that the government finds it convenient to establish a special post office for them where mail is received and distributed among Japanese only.  
LITTLE Early Risers  
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## Neglected Colds MAY CAUSE Consumption.



PROBABLY every case of consumption begins with a cold. Consumption is generally classed as a hereditary disease, but consumption is not hereditary.  
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And Succeeded.  
"What a faultfinder Jones is; and he used to have such a contented disposition before he was married."  
"Yes? I heard his wife say she had married him to reform him."—Houston Post.

Rented Babies.  
Women beggars in London, who think that they can excite more pity, and so get more money, if they have a baby with them, can rent a baby for 12 cents a day at several places in the city.

Artificial Foot for Dog.  
A wealthy New York broker, whose pet St. Bernard dog had his forefoot crushed by a car, has ordered an artificial foot made for the dog, regardless of cost.

Household Item.  
To cool a hot room, hang a large towel, well soaked in water, in the middle. The temperature will go down several degrees almost immediately.

Use of "Milk Stone."  
Galalith, or "milk-stone," is being much used for decorating and promises to take the place of marble.

Rigid Army Order.  
Orders have been issued that soldiers in the British army must not expropriate.

Silver in Spain.  
Silver money 250 years old is still in circulation in some parts of Spain.

AMONG SCIENTISTS.  
Prof. G. Haberlandt, after studying the sensitiveness of the tendrils and hairs on plants, has come to the conclusion that some plants are capable of experiencing regular sensations.  
The new method of producing general anesthesia proposed by giving derlin, of Berlin, consists in giving three hypodermic injections—two hours, one hour and half an hour before operation—of scopolamine with some morphine. Unconsciousness continues some hours after the operation.  
A London chemist, Dr. McAlpine, has a new process of refining mineral oil, for which he claims that it will abolish the use of expensive chemicals, make two distillations do for the three now made, increase the yield of products 20 per cent., and improve the quality of all the products.

CENTER SHOTS.  
Liquid courage is apt to evaporate. People with high tempers when unduly excited are inclined to indulge in low language.  
The husband of a society leader gets a lot more sympathy than he knows anything about.  
The misanthrope who feels that he hasn't a friend in the world might just as well be a book agent.  
The fellow who goes out of his way to put you on to a sure thing will generally be watching.  
The great trouble with the artistic temperament is that it revolts at the idea of making a living.

Sailing Vessels.  
Steam has by no means made sailing vessels obsolete. The total number of them in the world is still 65,934, as against only 30,561 steamers.

Strategy.  
Fair Customer—But how about a pocket?  
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